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In re patent application of

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For: TEMPERATURE CONTROLLING METHOD, THERMAL TREATING APPARATUS,  
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a 2-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2003. A check for the extension fee in the amount of \$410.00 is attached. An Amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action is being filed simultaneously herewith. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Peter A. Balnave".

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